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Waterworks Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: January 21, 1999 Meeting Location: Sydnor Hydrodynamics – Richmond, VA

Members Representatives Present/Absent - see attached attendance log

Others Present:

Robert Payne – VDH-Enforcement Director Greg Abbott – SCC Marc Tufaro - SCC

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Ray Jackson, Chair, with Tom Gray as Secretary.

The minutes were approved with the exception of misspelled names of DCLS staff.

Chair Report:

Ray Jackson noted that the agenda was incorrect for the WAC July meeting. The correct date is July 15, 1999. It was noted that the new Acting Health Commissioner is Anne Peterson.

Enforcement

Robert Payne, VDH-DWSE's Enforcement Director, gave an overview of DWSE's enforcement efforts and thoughts on use of enforcement. There is always a balance between solving the problem and causing the owner to abandon the waterworks.

Ray Jackson reported on an article on the safety concern of PVC pipe related to VOCs. Drought was discussed and problems still exist. Larry Lawson stated that DEQ is getting requests to reduce stream water flow by. As there exists a Drought Emergency, DEQ can waive permit requirements easily.

Legislation:

ICR – Allen Hammer reported that the ICR is in the final phases. Discussion indicated that EPA considered keeping to their schedule more important than the data.

CCR – Hugh Eggborn is fielding questions in anticipation of the CCR's first round due October 1999. VDH's DWSRF Program grant applications proposes for VDH to hire several part time summer employees to assist the small waterworks to comply with the CCR. Also, VRWA and AWWA is offering training. VDH will seek a Waiver from the Governor so waterworks with less than 500 people do not have to mail their CCR. Robert Payne is assigned to coordinate VDH's request for a waiver and target data for the Governor's approval is mid-March.

DBP rule – Allen Hammer stated that John Capito (VDH-Danville Field Director) is in Washington, DC today to learn more about this rule. The rule applies to waterworks serving 10,000 or more people.

Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP):

Jesse Royall (a member of VDH's public participation team to develop the SWAP) gave a status report. The public hearings were held and only two had attendees. The draft as developed has received a preliminary positive response from EPA. Jesse Royall recommended that the WAC move forward and endorse the draft. Motion was made to endorse the draft, seconded, and unanimously passed. VDH has placed advertisements in 3 newspapers to inform the public of the SWAP.